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1. Triebwagen-und Waggonfabrik Wismar A. G. was converted into a Soviet A. G. soon after the occupation and has now been returned to the Germans as a "Landeseigener Betrieb". Its present manager is Dir. Dipl. Ing. Tibke. As against its pre-war complement of 900 workers, it now has a complement of 1,700. Although the factory cannot provide employment for 1,700 workers, the workers are retained for prestige and reasons of social policy. It is not thought desirable to dismiss such a large number of employees.

2. Triebwagen-und Waggonfabrik Wismar A. G. received a reparations contract for 400 twenty-ton tank recovery vehicles. By 1 June 1947, 150 were completed and delivered. The remaining 250 under contract were then passed to Waggonfabrik Dessau. Raw materials for the 150 completed vehicles were delivered by the Soviets. The exact origin of the materials is not known

3. A reparations contract for 600 "Panjewagen" (sic, probably tank destroyers) has been completed and delivered to the Russians.
4. Important railroad repair work has stopped because of the lack of raw materials.
5. The woodwork installations at Waggonfabrik Wismar are a total war loss.
6. At the moment, there are only two Soviet officers in the factory. Their duty is to accept delivery of reparations. A staff of approximately thirty Soviet technicians was removed to Waggonfabrik Dessau about three weeks ago.

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